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Israel cuts jail terms of two foreign women

TEL AVIV, May 30 (R) - Israel today reduced the prison terms of two women, an American and a Dutch woman, as a goodwill gesture to further the peace process. An official announcement said the decision to cut the sentences of Terry Fleener of the U.S. and Ludwina Janssen of the Netherlands was taken following requests by the government of the U.S. and the Netherlands. Terry Fleener's term was halved from five years to two and a half years and Ludwina Janssen's sentence was cut from six years to four and a half years, the announcement said. Both women were found guilty of "gathering secrets which would harm Israel's security" and of "aiding an illegal organization," a justice ministry spokesman said. Miss Janssen was arrested on arrival at Tel Aviv's airport in 1977 for being in possession of "cameras and information about certain sites to be photographed for later sabotage attacks." Miss Fleener was found guilty in 1976 of coming to Israel twice on missions for the Fatah commando group, "to take pictures and buy maps for sabotage purposes."

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May 30 (AP) - Israel trained its gun on the border today in what Palestinian commandos said was an attempt to dislodge Syrian forces in South Lebanon. "It is an attempt to provoke the Syrians into pre-emptive action," a spokesman for the Palestine Liberation Organisation (PLO) said. "The Syrians seem eager to dislodge the Syrians in Hashbani."

ing some Syrians, the PLO said. The PLO said, however, that the Israeli bombardment of the Hashbani area was aimed at the village of Yammur in the Jordan Valley, 30 km west of the Israeli border, and not to provincial Hashbani.

Spokesman said combat on the border across the border, state radio said. Two Israeli soldiers were killed in the "unrest" of the Hashbani area. Authorities say 1,000 Palestinians have been killed since the signing of the peace treaty. Israeli authorities say 1,000 Palestinians have been killed since the beginning of the conflict.

Spokesman said today that the conflict near the border took the brunt of the fighting yesterday. The conflict in the seaside village camp of Hashbani, 10 km south of the open fire, after swimmers were peeled off a barrier caused

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N. Yemeni premier conveys message to King Hussein

AMMAN, May 30 (Agencies) - His Majesty King Hussein received at Hashemite Palace this evening the visiting North Yemeni Prime Minister, Mr. Abdul Aziz Abdul Ghani who handed the monarch a message from North Yemeni President Ali Abdullah Saleh. During the audience, the situation in the Arab World was reviewed in the light of recent Middle East developments. Discussion also dealt with bilateral relations and means of strengthening cooperation between the two countries in the various fields.

The audience was attended by Prime Minister Mudar Badran and the ministers of the interior and health, as well as the Jordanian ambassador in Sanaa and the North Yemeni ambassador to Jordan. Mr. Abdul Ghani arrived today from Sanaa and told reporters on arrival he would also hold talks with Prime Minister Mudar Badran. His talks would cover bilateral relations and other issues of mutual interest.

Mr. Abdul Ghani is accompanied by a large delegation including Sheikh Abdullah Bin Hussein Al Ahmar, chief of the strong Hashed tribe and several ministers.

"The aim of these talks is to strengthen the brotherly ties between our two countries and peoples and to boost bilateral coordination and Arab solidarity, especially during this fateful stage which faces our nation with the gravest challenges and conspiracies," he added.

On the eve of his visit, the prime minister told reporters in Sanaa he would brief King Hussein on the progress made so far on the road of unity with neighbouring South Yemen.

Mr. Abdul Ghani was expected to leave for Baghdad on Saturday with a similar message to President Ahmed Hassan Al Bakr.

Sharon calls for intensive W. Bank, Gaza settlement

OCCUPIED JERUSALEM, May 30 (R) - Israel's controversial Agriculture Minister Ariel Sharon called today for intensive Jewish settlement in the occupied West Bank of Jordan and the Gaza Strip over the next 20 to 30 years.

Mr. Sharon told the Knesset that under his plan a series of urban settlements would be set up in the heavily populated northern sector of the West Bank, 20 kilometres east of Israel proper. The number of Jewish settlements in the Jordan Valley would be doubled from 25 to 50.

He was responding to a motion by a member of his Likud Party calling for increased government-sponsored Jewish settlement in the West Bank and the Gaza Strip.

Mr. Sharon also called for the establishment of several satellite towns around occupied Jerusalem which would bring the total Jewish population of the area from 400,000 to one million. He proposed the establishment of seven settlements to serve as a buffer between the Gaza Strip and Sinai.

Mr. Sharon, who once called for a settlement drive to bring two million Jews to live in the areas over 20 years, did not specify how many Jews he foresaw living there under his current plan.

OPEC to return to single oil price

ABU DHABI, May 30 (R) - OPEC President Muhammed Al Oteiba was today quoted as saying that five Gulf oil producers have shown understanding of his ideas for a return to a single oil price in the 13-nation Organisation of Petroleum Exporting Countries.

Dr. Oteiba was speaking to the official Emirates News Agency (WAM) on his return from a tour of the five OPEC countries - Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, Qatar, Iran and Iraq - prior to next month's OPEC ministerial conference in Geneva.

He said that while OPEC states were considering a single oil price policy, the consuming countries should not pay more than the official OPEC price for the oil they buy.

Dr. Oteiba, who is also United Arab Emirates (UAE) petroleum minister, warned: "The consuming countries should be prepared to pay higher prices if they cannot check their consumption."

Dr. Oteiba's tour began with Saudi Arabia, where he stopped again today on his way home from Baghdad, apparently to brief Saudi Petroleum Minister Sheikh Ahmed Zaki Yamani on the outcome of his visit.

The commission, made up of representatives of Portugal, Bolivia and Zambia, previously visited Jordan and Syria but was barred from the occupied areas by Israel.

Brezhnev arrives in Budapest apparently not in poor health

BUDAPEST, May 30 (AP) - Soviet President Leonid Brezhnev walked unscathed down the ramp of his Ilyushin 62 jetliner when he arrived here today to begin a three-day official visit to Hungary aimed in part at dispelling rumours of his declining health.

The 72-year-old Soviet leader, who meets with U.S. President Jimmy Carter in Vienna next month to sign the SALT II treaty, spent nearly 30 minutes at Budapest's sun-drenched airport shaking hands with Hungarian and foreign dignitaries, reviewing the honour guard and receiving cheers from a crowd of about 8,000.

Mr. Brezhnev, rumoured for years to be in poor health, walked slowly but steadily alongside Hungarian President Pal Losonczi during the welcoming ceremony, which included a 21-gun salute.

Except for a slight limp in his left leg noticeable in recent years, Mr. Brezhnev seemed to have no trouble walking.

Mr. Brezhnev, the first member of his party to emerge from the jetliner, was welcomed by President Losonczi and Hungarian Communist Party leader Janos Kadar.

U.S. officials planning the Carter-Brezhnev summit fear the Soviet leader's health could limit the scope of discussions, which Americans hope will go far beyond the arms treaty.

Mr. Brezhnev is expected to remain in Hungary for three days, although details of his visit have not been announced.

Some analysts see the visit as a move to counter speculation that Mr. Brezhnev's health has failed sharply in recent months. Rumours that he was in poor health increased after the recent Moscow visit of French President Valery Giscard d'Estaing.

Latest ethnic minority to clash with regime Iranian paratroops flown to Abadan to quell Arabs

KHORRAMSHahr, Iran, May 30 (R) - One hundred paratroopers were flown into nearby Abadan today to reinforce government forces fighting Iranian Arabs in this Gulf port town. As the official

In an interview with Reuters, he

blamed the fighting on government forces headed by Khuzestan provincial governor, Rear Admiral Ahmad Madani. He said Admiral Madani's forces attacked the town's Arab cultural centre and the headquarters of the Arab political organisation only 30 minutes after Arab negotiators had agreed to end sit-ins at the two buildings.

Sheikh Khaghani said: "If the government in Tehran has in mind to stop the killing, I'm prepared to resume negotiations. We have got to achieve peace, otherwise we might lose control of the whole situation and things could get much worse."

Reliable sources in Tehran said a further 400 government troops were being flown to Abadan, 10 kilometres from Khorramshahr.

Arabs with petrol bombs and hunting rifles attacked the strikebound port facilities, setting them on fire. Shops, a police station, the main post office and a tobacco factory were reported

burning.

Local authorities declared a state of emergency and said that government forces controlled all key points in the town.

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According to an Arab spokesman in Tehran, more than 1,000 people staged a sit-in at Khorramshahr's Arab cultural centre to demand greater political and language rights.

Early today, the Arab spokesman said, revolutionary com-

death toll reached 21 after more than 12 hours of fighting, the Arabs' religious leader, Sheikh Mohammed Taher Al Shobeir Khaghani, warned the situation could get worse.

the Karun River during the day.

Asked if the outbreak of violence could lead to an oil strike by Arab workers in Iran's Khuzestan fields, Sheikh Khaghani said: "So far I've not requested this... But if the government doesn't want the problem solved, according to Islamic principles, then perhaps the Arabs will have no alternative."

Khuzestan's Arab and Persian population are both belong to the Shi'a sect of Islam and Sheikh Khaghani said religious differences were not involved.

Arabs and Persians blamed each other for starting the riot. Shooting was still going on late this afternoon and three air force helicopters were flying low over the town, sources said.

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The King will be accompanied by a delegation of several senior officials.

King Hussein visits Algeria next week

AMMAN, May 30 (JNA) - His Majesty King Hussein will pay a three-day state visit to Algeria during the first week of June at the invitation of President Chadli Bin Jidid, the Royal Hashemite Court announced today.

It said that during the visit, King Hussein will hold talks with the Algerian president and senior officials on latest Middle East developments and joint Arab action to face the current situation.

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A departure

IN HIS SPEECH at Beersheba last Friday, U.S. Secretary of State Cyrus Vance made some interesting remarks which are being scrutinised carefully all across the Arab World.

Throughout the speech there appear to run two themes: an avowed American awareness that "the resolution of the Palestinian question in all its aspects" is central to a solution of the Arab-Israeli conflict, and an as good as explicit warning to the Israelis that it is their words and deeds, if not their actual misapprehension about what is required to get them the security they seek by their participation in the peace process, that constitutes the biggest stumbling block at the moment to any possibility of that process succeeding.

Mr. Vance reiterated three principles deriving from the Camp David framework: recognition of the "legitimate rights of the Palestinian people and their just requirements"; the importance of the "security of Israel"; and the clear premise that U.N. Security Council Resolution 242 "remains the basic statement of principles governing a peace settlement" and that the Camp David framework is "built upon it."

On the first and third points, Mr. Vance, we believe, went somewhat further than previous American statements have gone, by stating that the framework "gives the Palestinians a vital role in shaping their destiny by recognising them as participants in all aspects of the negotiations that determine their future", and by specifying that in the U.S. interpretation, Resolution 242 "applies to all fronts of the conflict."

There was little, if anything, in Mr. Vance's remarks to mitigate the reservations of Jordan and other Arab states about the motivations behind a "peace" in which Egypt is embraced by an expansionist Israel while Zionist threats, colonisation and all-out aggression continue to be imposed against other parties to the conflict, b) about the lingering misconception about the meaning of "autonomy" as applied to the inhabitants of the occupied Arab homeland (when it is manifestly clear that Israel intends to use this "autonomy" as a cover for annexation), and c) about the propriety and viability of a negotiating framework which, through the refusal of the U.S. and Israel to deal with the PLO, automatically excludes the only representatives of those whose fate is being determined.

But this is why the latter half of Mr. Vance's speech makes interesting reading: here he urges each of the two signatories to exercise "maximum restraint", not to be tempted to "pursue its own national objectives" at the expense of the negotiations, and "to suspend acts and statements of hostility." Given that Israeli jets were at that moment committing criminal aggression against the civilian population of southern Lebanon, it is impossible not to conclude that Israel was the target of these admonishments.

Another of Mr. Vance's remarks was clearly addressed to the Israelis: "In the United States, we believe deeply in the proposition that 'governments derive their just powers from the consent of the governed.' We believe that the Palestinian people must have the right for themselves and their descendants to live with dignity and freedom, and with the opportunity for economic fulfilment and political expression."

This takes America's sudden awareness of the Palestinian issue somewhat beyond the stage of lip-service. But it does not in itself validate a "peace process" which contains lethal traps both for those who would choose to enter into it and for those who, in defence of their own national interests and principles, must opt to stay away. It does not obviate the U.S.'s huge responsibility to face the Palestinian question head-on by dealing with those uniquely qualified and unanimously mandated to represent the Palestinian nation. Finally, it does not relieve the United States of the urgent requirement that it must force its Israeli client to give up its international banditry in southern Lebanon and in the occupied territories.

ARAB PRESS COMMENTARY

AL RA'I WEDNESDAY quotes U.S. Secretary of State Cyrus Vance as saying that if progress is achieved in the second stage of negotiations on Palestinian self-rule, then this might encourage the Arab states to enter into the negotiations. The paper wonders what kind of progress Mr. Vance has in mind.

Al Ra'i believes that the U.S. is merely trying to "patch up" its relations with the Arabs, and says that the Arab states will join in the negotiations only if the United States assures them that self-rule is aimed at allowing the Palestinians to determine their own future and securing Israeli withdrawal from the occupied Arab territories.

The paper rejects Mr. Begin's concept of self-rule, and says that the Arabs will not join in the negotiations as Mr. Begin's ideas do not constitute a foundation for a comprehensive settlement in the area.

Commenting on Israel's aggressions against Lebanon, AL DUSTOUR calls on the United Nations to intervene "to stop the massacre in Tyre and the rest of South Lebanon."

The paper does not rule out the possibility that the escalation of Israeli military operations in Lebanon might be the beginning of an "adventure the consequences of which cannot be predicted in advance."

Washington, the paper says, cannot be absolved of the consequences of what is going on in South Lebanon. On the contrary, the U.S. would be committing a serious mistake if it continued to maintain silence on the situation in Lebanon and on Israel's aggressions, the paper adds.

The policy of intimidation will not force the Arabs to surrender. Rather it serves only to aggravate the situation in the area. The war in Lebanon will not succeed in making the Arabs accept the Camp David agreements, the paper says.

Jordan Securities Company to start operating in 1980

By Omar Jawad
Special to the Jordan Times

AMMAN -- A Jordanian company with strong international and Arab links will start work early next year to stimulate transactions in all kinds of Jordanian financial securities.

A founders committee headed by Housing Bank Chairman Zuheir Khouri has been established for the purpose of setting up the Jordan Securities Company, which will specialise in dealings in Jordanian company shares, bonds, negotiable certificates of deposit, treasury bills, commercial paper and any other kinds of securities that are introduced into the local marketplace. Its work will revolve around the growing volume of business being conducted in the 18-month-old Amman Financial Market (stock exchange).

One of the people who has been closely involved with the Jordan Securities Company (JSC) project is Amman stock exchange Chairman and General Manager Dr. Hashem Sabagh, who told the Jordan Times in an interview here last week that JSC would have two Kuwaiti shareholders, along with a Korean investment company and the World Bank affiliate, the International Finance Corporation (IFC).

The majority of the JD 2 million capital of JSC will be held by Jordanian commercial banks, semi-state specialised credit institutions

such as the Housing Bank, Pen-sion Fund, Industrial Development Bank and Postal Savings Fund, and the country's two universities.

One of the Kuwaiti shareholders will be the Kuwait International Investment Company, with a ten per cent share of the JSC capital. The other Kuwaiti group is now finalising its shareholding agreement.

The IFC will take ten per cent of the capital, and the drive to secure an experienced international investment company to provide expertise for the new Jordanian company has now settled on the Korea Investment and Finance Corporation, of Seoul, South Korea. It is expected to take a ten per cent equity share as well. Mr. Zuheir Khouri told the Jordan Times, when current discussions are finalised.

The Central Bank of Jordan, which has played a strong role in putting together the JSC, has agreed not to take a share in the equity capital of the new firm, in view of the possible conflict of interest that may arise, Dr. Sabagh said.

The capital of JSC has been quickly oversubscribed. It has already received a licence from the stock exchange, and expects to be licensed by the Central Bank this week. After that, it would have to register with the Ministry of Industry and Trade before opening its doors for business.

WHAT'S GOING ON

Photo Exhibit

The French Cultural Centre presents an exhibit of photos on Provence, which is open during regular hours.

Batik Exhibit

The Ministry of Culture and Youth presents an exhibition of batik by Michele Mills at the Art Gallery. The exhibit is open from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. and 3:30 to 7:00 p.m.

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NOTEBOOK

Let there be music

By Rami G. Khouri

WITHIN THE PAST week, both President Carter and U.S. Secretary of State Cyrus Vance have made pleasant little statements about the need to address the full dimensions of the Palestinian issue.

Mr. Vance, in his speech opening the Bir Sabe' (Beersheba) talks on May 25, quite forcefully reaffirmed his country's understanding that U.N. Security Council Resolution 242 "remains the basic statement of principles governing a peace settlement...it establishes the fundamental equation for peace—withdrawal in exchange for commitments to live at peace with Israel within secure and recognised boundaries." In the same breath, he also went out of his way to reaffirm that no peace could be just or secure for any participant if it does not resolve the problem of the legitimate rights of the Palestinians "in its broad sense."

Two days ago, President Carter, addressing an appropriately biblical audience of the National Conference of Christians and Jews, urged compassion and concern for the Palestinians. He said: "There is an unwillingness to address the problems of the Palestinians in an open and compassionate and concerned way. Because some Palestinians commit acts of terrorism, many Americans do not feel concerned about them."

These statements reflect the Americans' obvious new understanding of the centrality of the Palestinian issue in resolving the Arab-Israeli conflict. We hear the American view that a Mideast peace must be based on an Israeli withdrawal from occupied areas, meeting the legitimate rights of the Palestinians in their broad sense, assuring the security of Israel and all other states in the area, and, for good measure, dealing with the Palestinians compassionately and with concern.

But at the same time, we have the intellectual self-flagellation that comes from the American refusal to deal with the Palestine Liberation Organisation (PLO) until the PLO first recognises Israel, and accepts the principles of Resolution 242. That is, the United States says it wants to deal compassionately with the Palestinians, but it refuses to talk to the internationally acknowledged representative of the Palestinians, the PLO.

How does one break the impasse, without causing irreparable psychic damage to the egos of the Palestinians or the Americans? I have a proposal, as I often do on sunny Thursday mornings, which I hereby toss out for consideration.

What we need, I suggest, is for the Americans to practise what they preach. If they ask the PLO to recognise 242 with their own added reservations, then it is only fair for us, the Arabs and Palestinians, to ask the United States to recognise the PLO with any reservations the United States wishes to add. And here is how it can be done, compassionately and humanely and with a little bit of diplomatic bravado.

The United States should first meet the concerns of those Americans who refuse to deal with the PLO because, as Mr. Carter puts it, "some Palestinians commit acts of terrorism." By identifying segments and institutions of the Palestinian nation that have nothing to do with terrorism, The United States should signal its sincere and compassion by, for example, establishing working relationships with the Palestinian Red Crescent (the equivalent of the Red Cross), it could provide bilateral, direct and open assistance to Palestinian technical institutions that teach young Palestinian girls how to paint or read, or sew, or play violin. It could donate books on the great philosophies of Palestine and its lands, the occupied West Bank. It could invite young Palestinian biology students to visit American research institutes. It could invite Palestinian poets to share their thoughts with their American brothers and sisters. It could provide medical aid to Palestinian institutes treating the mentally and physically handicapped. It could arrange fun-ping tournaments, volleyball matches and long jumping competitions between American and Palestinian enthusiasts. It could arrange for joint sports symposia, grouping American and Palestinian professors, to discuss the great challenges of fronting humanity, such as: devising measures to express one's compassion in a manner that is commensurate with the verbal expression of that compassion.

There are many ways in which the United States could show its recognition of the Palestinian national reality, by recognising the PLO without adding any reservations it wants to that recognition. Is the United States so offended by the PLO that it calls terrorism that it cannot bring itself to donate some textbooks about the biology of rabbits to the biology department of the Palestinian University?

Is there not enough brilliance among the Palestinian nation that can regularly break through the security barriers of Israel for the United States to find a Palestinian peace partner and encourage her to spend a year in the best American conservatories, sharing with the Americans the highest form of beauty in music? Is there not enough compassion that leaps out of the American sense of music?

The United States has got itself into an impasse by applying criteria to the Palestinian nation that refuses to apply to itself. If the PLO does not accept 242 with reservations, why not let the US accept the PLO with reservations?

It is perhaps too much to expect the United States to make a show of compassion to the Palestinian nation that is responsible for the many bombing and assassination attempts carried out by American jets and Israeli pilots. But if compassion is so much to ask from the Americans, intelligent compassion should not be.

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SULTAN BLASTS SOVIET INFLUENCE: World: the Sultan of Oman, in exclusive interview, calls upon the U.S. to draw the line against Soviet involvement in the Gulf.

PRESIDENT CARTER HAS BAD WEEKEND: The House rejects Carter's oil decontrol plan. House vote down the proposed federal budget, five democratic congressmen announced today they will not support Carter's decontrol plan.

WORST AIR DISASTER IN AMERICA: U.S. American Airlines DC-10 crashed to ground, killing all passengers, crew and some passengers.

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years, Mr. Suddarth told the Jordan Times. "We have found it very interesting and have enjoyed every minute of it." Leaving Amman, he said, "is a very emotional experience for us."

His daughter is currently attending boarding school in the U.S. and his son Mark has just completed eighth grade at the American Community School.

When the Suddarth family arrives in Washington, a home and old friends will be waiting.

Mr. Suddarth became interested in Middle East affairs while attending Oxford University in 1958, at the time of the Suez war. He began studying Arabic in 1963 and has since served for several years in the Middle East -- Libya, North Yemen, and Jordan where he has stayed the longest. His first foreign service post was in Mali.

Jordan's U.N. ambassador conveys concern over UNRWA

UNITED NATIONS, May 30 (R) -- Arab states have warned that cuts in U.N. rations and services for Palestinian refugees resulting from a budget deficit could lead to political instability. In a letter to Secretary General Kurt Waldheim, made public today, Jordan's U.N. Ambassador Hazem Nuseibeh, on behalf of the Arab group, said the U.N. Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees (UNRWA) had estimated expenditure this year at \$162.7 million and revenue at only \$126.2 million.

Referring to proposals to reduce the refugees' flour rations and to cut schooling for some 80,000 youngsters, he said the cuts would lead to very serious repercussions and "impinge on public security and order and political stability, as well as accentuate the unspeakable human tragedy which the Palestinian refugees and camp residents have had to endure."

masses to avoid the kind of reaction to the import of technology as recently witnessed in Iran.

Another important aspect of the conference is the valuable contact made between Arab industrial executives and their French counterparts. Often such contacts lead to cooperation and joint participation in wideranging projects or studies. One observer considers this the most valuable outcome of the conference.

He dubbed the participants in the conference here the "Amman Club" and suggested that they get together in the future to keep the spirit of the conference alive.

His remark that the agenda had been "heavily loaded" with "masterly exposés" on the many-sided topic of the transfer of technology coincided with an electricity failure which plunged the hall into temporary darkness.

Mr. Deloncle, who observed that in spite of the large areas of desert in the Arab World these countries were by no means barren of technology, stressed that transfer of technology is not merely a question of installing equipment but of training minds of men, so that technological development reaches down to the

West Bank, Gaza unions council rejects self-rule

JERUSALEM, May 30 -- The council of trade unions in the West Bank and Gaza Friday issued a statement in which they rejected all solutions inconsistent with the rights and aspirations of the Palestinian people, particularly those adopted without their participation, the paper reported.

Calling on Arab states to impose sanctions against U.S. interests in the Arab World, the statement rejected the negotiations on self-rule and called on Arabs to frustrate them, the paper said.

The statement further stressed that the unity of the Palestinian people is embodied in the PLO.

Stressing that the essence of the Middle East problem lies in the Palestinian problem and the usurpation of the Palestinian people's territories, the statement called on Arabs to strengthen relations with the socialist bloc particularly the Soviet Union, and bolster the role of the "steadfastness and confrontation front."

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King Hussein receives two U.S. senators

AMMAN, May 30 (JNA) -- His Majesty King Hussein received today U.S. Senator Sam Nunn (Dem. Georgia) and Senator Lawton Chiles (Dem. Florida).

Earlier the two senators met His Highness Crown Prince Hassan who briefed them on Israel's settlement policy in the occupied Arab territories, obstacles which Israel places in the path of a comprehensive peace settlement and Jordan's stand vis-a-vis the Camp David accords and the Egyptian-Israeli separate peace treaty.

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Algerian minister meets Badran

AMMAN, May 30 (JNA) -- Algerian Minister of Higher Education and Scientific Research Abdul Haq Berarhi met Prime Minister Mudar Badran here today.

Queen Noor inaugurates inoculation campaign

AMMAN, May 30 -- Her Majesty Queen Noor paid a visit to the Umm Al Basatin village west of Amman today where she launched a campaign for inoculating children against polio. The Queen herself inoculated a number of children.

The minister also spoke about the main health projects the ministry is carrying out around the country among which is the establishment of a nuclear medical centre at Al Bashir Hospital.

The Ministry has begun a full programme for inoculating children against infectious diseases and nearly 80 per cent of the country's children under four years will be inoculated during this year, the minister said.

Prince receives Qatari minister

AMMAN, May 30 (JNA) -- His Highness Crown Prince Hassan received here today the visiting Foreign Minister of Qatar Sheikh Suhaim Ibn Hamad Al Thani. They discussed the Middle East situation and ways of further consolidating Arab solidarity and strengthening bilateral relations.

Also today, Sheikh Suhaim Ibn Hamad Al Thani met with Prime Minister Mudar Badran.

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	U.S. dollar	306.00	308
U.K. Sterling	628.00	632	
West German Mark	159.50	160.50	
Swiss franc	176.00	177.10	
French franc	66.90	69.30	
Italian lira	(for every 100)	35.70	35.90
Amman		14	25
Japanese yen	(for every 100)	138.80	139.60
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advancement of the transfer of technology and vocational training in the Arab World. This would involve government officials on both sides and such inter-Arab bodies as the Arab Labour Organisation and the Arab League Educational, Cultural and Scientific Organisation.

He dubbed the participants in the conference here the "Amman Club" and suggested that they get together in the future to keep the spirit of the conference alive.

His remark that the agenda had been "heavily loaded" with "masterly exposés" on the many-sided topic of the transfer of technology coincided with an electricity failure which plunged the hall into temporary darkness.

Mr. Deloncle, who observed that in spite of the large areas of desert in the Arab World these countries were by no means barren of technology, stressed that transfer of technology is not merely a question of installing equipment but of training minds of men, so that technological development reaches down to the

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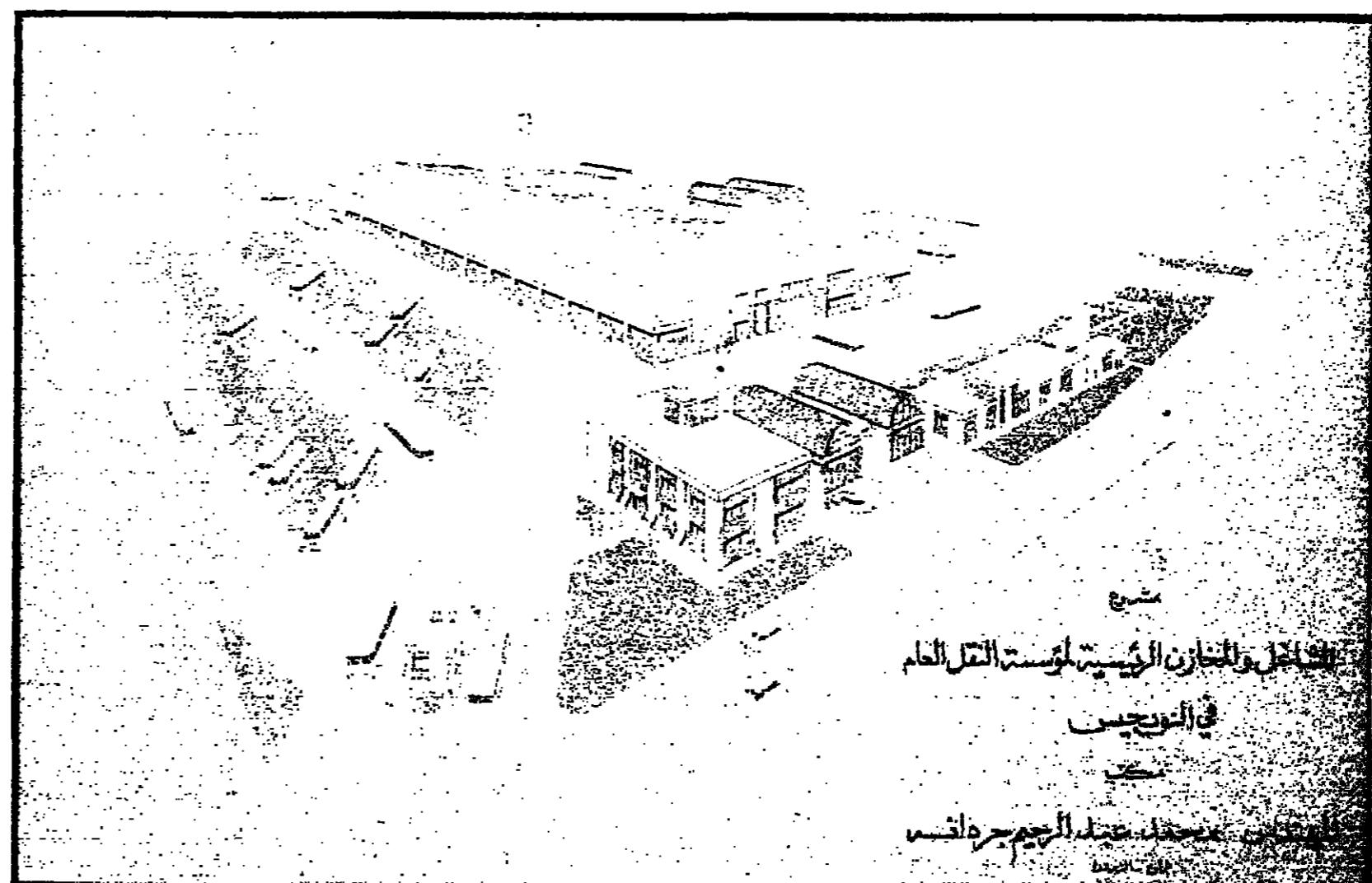
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Egypt suspended from Arab Sports Union

RABAT, May 30 (R)—Egypt was suspended yesterday from the Arab Sports Union (ASU) by unanimous vote at a special meeting of the organisation here, officials said. The special meeting, with ASU Chairman Prince Faisal Ibn Fahd Ibn Abdulla presiding, was held just before the opening yesterday evening of the first Arab Sports Congress, attended by all Arab countries except Egypt. The suspension of Egypt follows decisions taken in Baghdad to take sanctions against Egypt for signing its peace treaty with Israel. The congress, opened by Prince Faisal and Abdellatif Kadi, Moroccan minister of youth and sports, is attended by ASU delegates, representatives of Arab national Olympic committees and national Arab sports organisations. The agenda of the four-day congress includes discussion of the role of politics in sport, the role of medicine and the press, the use of Arabic as a working language on the international Olympic committee, and the right of Palestinians to take part in sporting events at Olympic level.

National Basketball Association finals

SEATTLE, Washington, May 30 (AP)—Guards Gus Williams and Dennis Johnson combined for 65 points, including eight in overtime last night, as the Seattle SuperSonics outlasted the Washington Bullets 114-112 to take a 3-1 lead in the National Basketball Association's playoff finals. The SuperSonics can wrap up the first championship in their 12-year history with a victory Friday night in Landover, Maryland. If Washington wins that game, the best-of-seven series would come back for game six Sunday at the coliseum. Wes Unseld's flip shot with 18 seconds to play had given Washington a 104-104 tie and sent the game into overtime. But Williams and Dennis Johnson wasted no time taking control in the five-minute extra period.

English County Cricket Championship

LONDON, May 30 (R)—Hampshire moved to the top of the English County Cricket Championship table yesterday when they took eight points from their match against title-holders Kent—the only championship match in which play was possible. Between rain showers, Hampshire pace bowler Keith Stevenson and West Indian Malcolm Marshall shot Kent out for 126 in their first innings, leaving them trailing by 183 runs. Stevenson took five wickets for 40 runs and Marshall three for 34. Former England wicketkeeper Alan Knott was Kent's top scorer with 33. The

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Baseball Standings

National League

EAST

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Montreal	26	15	.634	—
Philadelphia	27	18	.600	1
St. Louis	12	19	.537	4
Pittsburgh	21	21	.500	5½
Chicago	19	23	.452	7½
New York	16	26	.381	10½

WEST

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Cincinnati	26	20	.565	—
Houston	27	23	.540	1
San Francisco	25	24	.510	2½
Los Angeles	24	26	.480	4
San Diego	21	29	.420	7
Atlanta	18	28	.391	8

American League

EAST

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Baltimore	30	17	.638	—
Boston	26	18	.591	2½
Milwaukee	27	22	.551	4
New York	25	22	.532	5
Detroit	20	21	.488	7
Cleveland	20	26	.435	9½
Toronto	12	36	.250	18½

WEST

	W	L	Pct.	GB
California	29	19	.604	—
Minnesota	26	18	.591	1
Texas	27	19	.587	1
Kansas City	27	21	.563	2
Chicago	24	23	.511	4½
Seattle	17	32	.347	12½
Oakland	16	32	.333	13

Tuesday's games

Montreal 9, Philadelphia 0
Pittsburgh 8, Chicago 0
New York 6, St. Louis 2
Houston 2, Cincinnati 1
San Diego 6-3, Atlanta 3-2
Los Angeles 6, San Francisco 5

Detroit 9, Toronto 8
Chicago 4, Cleveland 2
Milwaukee 7, New York 3
Oakland at Minnesota, ppd., rain
Boston at Texas, ppd., rain
Baltimore 8, Kansas City 1
California 6, Seattle 4

match ended in a draw with Kent 22 for one in their second innings. But Hampshire's eight bonus points—four for batting and four for bowling—put them at the top of the championship table with 32 points.

Intercontinental Basketball Cup

PRAGUE, May 30 (R)—Czechoslovakia ended their winning run in the first part of this year's Intercontinental Basketball Cup with a 105-74 victory over Puerto Rico yesterday in Prievidza, Czechoslovakia. The Czechoslovak team got off to a slow start, allowing their opponents to stay well in touch during first half, at the end of which Czechoslovakia led 48-44. In the second period, the Czechoslovak team surged ahead, partly because the Puerto Ricans, lacking tactical experience, began to tire. Puerto Rican coach Flor Melendez said after the match that his team was a new one and was still trying to find itself. Only three of its players had played in major international matches before, he said.

World Cricket Cup qualifying matches

BIRMINGHAM, England, May 30 (R)—Canada scored a convincing 49 runs victory over Bangladesh in the only World Cricket Cup qualifying match played yesterday. Six matches were scheduled but the other five were washed out by rain. With Franklyn Dennis scoring 61, the Canadians hammered 190 runs off their 60 overs for the loss of eight wickets, four of which fell to Jahangir Shah Badsha for only 17 runs. Despite a fighting innings of 34 by Raquibul Hassan, Bangladesh never really got hold of the task of making 191 to win, and they were all out for 141 in 50 overs and two balls. John Vaughan was Canada's most successful bowler with three wickets for 28 runs. The four points Canada earned for victory put them level with Denmark on the eight-point mark at the top of Group Two of the qualifying competition.

Swordsman age 94 wins major prize

PEKING, May 30 (R)—A 94-year-old veteran of the Boxer Rebellion won a major prize for swordsmanship at the national martial arts meeting in the south China city of Nanning, the New China News Agency (NCNA) reported yesterday. It said Liu Zhiqiang had first learned how to use a sword when, at 13, he joined the Boxers during the seven-week siege of the foreign legations in Peking in 1900. NCNA said another veteran swordsman, Chen Chengfu, 78, also won a top prize at the meeting. Chen is professor of physical culture at Shanxi University.

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OUR DAILY
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Carroll Righter Institute
TENDENCIES: You have to be more usual in your relations with others for most tendent in their pride and can get upset if been slighted. Give encouragement when

21 to Apr. 19) Although fun is on your prove very costly now, so get at the work instead. Be energetic at some special talent and needs more work on it.
Apr. 20 to May 20) Do nothing that could be at home. Try to help him instead. Paying new contacts can gain you their good will who could be detrimental to you socially.
May 21 to June 21) Use more care than usual steer clear of accidents, either driving or good day for new contracts of any kind.
JUNIOR (June 22 to July 21) Cut down on and save your money for a possible rainy day over a small account or you lag behind in Show you are a reasonable person.
Aug. 21) Be tactful in handling an and impress others favorably. Steer clear for the time being. Tend to important

22 to Sept. 22) You feel very limited but if routines you find you make real progress.uation well and you know how to improve the cheerful side of life.

Oct. 23 to Oct. 22) Don't argue with friends pressure and could be short with you. Get in work and avoid the social altogether for Take time to study, too.

Oct. 23 to Nov. 21) You are displeased with mental but be patient and they soon get better rules and regulations that concern you worries.

US (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21) Find the right way ks ahead of you and save time. Not a good new interests, outlets. Steer clear of a new axe to grind, avoid trouble.

4 (Dec. 22 to Jan. 20) Make sure you go an agreement you made or you get into. Don't expect too much affection from a. Do something that will bring about a

(Jan. 21 to Feb. 19) Be fair with a partner other's views better for best results. Be others and all works out fine for you.
Mar. 20 to Mar. 20) Not a good day for taking for showing devotion to close ties and thoughtful gift for a loved one and pave the understanding.

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had to decide whether to go up with the king or finesse the nine. Those who blindly follow the doctrine of "third hand" would have had no difficulty, but "East, a player of considerable experience, emerged from his prolonged huddle with the nine. Thereupon, declarer rattled off nine tricks without giving a thought to the spade finesse.

At the autopsy, the local experts were divided about the wisdom of East's play of the nine. They advanced the argument that, had the opening lead been from the jack, the nine would have forced the ace whereas the king would have given declarer two tricks in the suit. Naturally, if the lead was from the ace, it was obligatory to go up with the king since, if the two of hearts was an honest card, declarer could hold no more than a doubleton in the suit.

The pundits then considered whether it was more likely that West or South held the ace of hearts, and their conclusion was that South won on that score because of his no trump rebid. Had they followed the example of the village idiot, it would have been obvious that the king was the correct play.

Place yourself in the position of declarer. If you had ace and a low heart, which card would you play from dummy at trick one? Obviously the queen, since that would be your only chance to win two tricks. Thus, declarer's failure to play the queen of hearts on the opening lead marks West with the ace.

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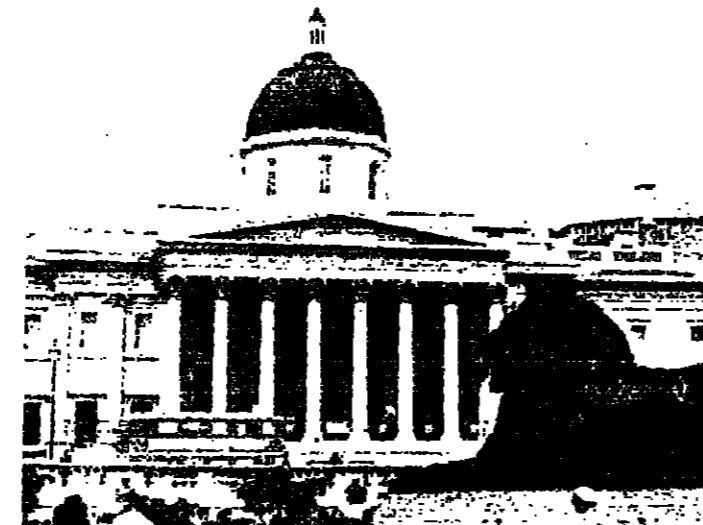
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LONDON--The National Portrait Gallery, tucked away behind Trafalgar Square, is currently undergoing reorganisation and redecoration. A new exhibition area on the first floor opens on July 6 with a big show devoted to John Singer Sargent (1856-1925) and the Edwardian age. (BTA photo)

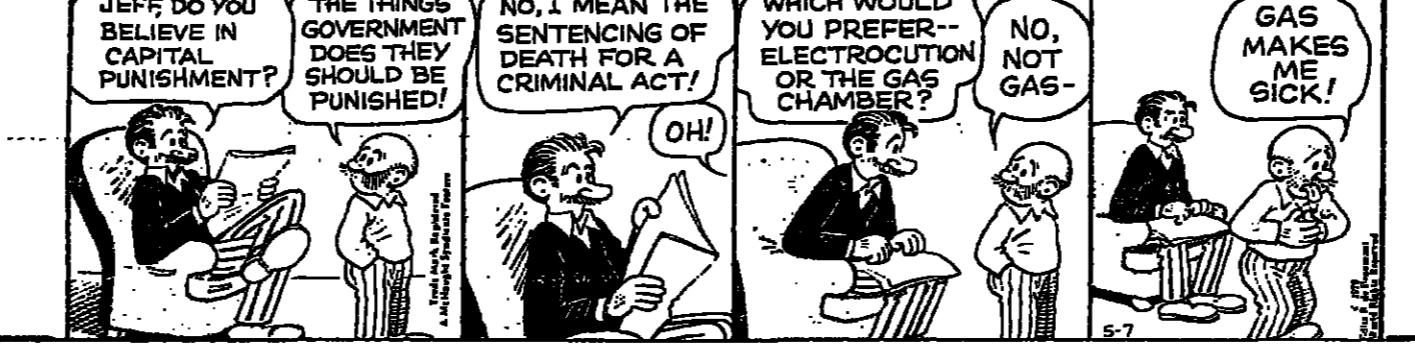
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JORDAN TELEVISION

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6:15 Dick Turpin
6:30 News Broadcast
6:30 News in Arabic
6:30 Arabic programme
9:30 Arabic series
10:15 Arabic play
11:30 News in Arabic

CHANNEL 6

6:30 French programme
7:30 News in French
7:45 News in Hebrew
7:45 Sports magazine
8:30 Comedy
9:30 Jude the Obscure
10:15 News in English
11:15 Movie of the Week

1979 News Roundup

6:30 The Breakfast Show
6:45 News, pop music, features, listeners, quizzes
7:30 News in Hebrew
7:45 News Roundup, news, opinion, analysis
17:30 Dateline
18:00 Special English news, "The Making of a Nation"
19:00 News Music USA

1979 News Roundup

19:30 VOA Magazine
American, scientific, cultural, ethnic, religious news
20:00 News in English, news
20:15 Music USA (2nd)
21:00 VOA World Report
22:00 News, foreign correspondents, features, media commentaries, analyses

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10:30 News off
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13:00 News Summary
13:01 Radioshow

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ARRIVALS: 4-14 Bangkok, Bahrain (RJ GF)

7-50 Cairo (EA)

8-15 Damascus (RJ GF)

8-25 Muscat, Dhofar (RJ GF)

9-15 Kuwait, Ras Al Khaimah (RJ GF)

9-17 Kano (RJ GF)

9-20 Baghdad (SDI)

10-15 Rawalpindi (BA)

12-15 Kufra (KAC)

12-20 Madras (SDI)

17-20 Asqabat (SDI)

18-00 Cairo

18-15 Rome

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20-30 Abu Dhabi, Dubai (RJ GF)

20-30 Dhahran

21-00 Jeddah

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5-10 Dhahran, Mombas, Frankfurt (LH)

9-00 Damascus

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NATO meet warned about Soviet buildup of military strength

THE HAGUE, May 30 (R)—NATO foreign ministers heard warnings about the growth of Soviet military strength and instability in the Third World at the start of a two-day conference today.

Dutch Prime Minister Andreas Van Agt told the opening session that over the past decade Moscow's military power had continuously increased both in quantity and quality, with no indication of a levelling-off.

"If present trends are anything to go by, this will lead to a build-up of military power which, if it were to remain unchecked, might have serious consequences for stability in Europe and the world at large," he said.

Before going in to closed session at a conference centre 25 kilometres from The Hague, U.S. Secretary of State Cyrus Vance and his colleagues also heard speeches from NATO Secretary-General Joseph Luns and Britain's new Conservative Foreign Secretary Lord Carrington.

Dr. Luns, a former Dutch foreign minister, said there could be

no genuine detente as long as instabilities and regional conflicts remained targets of intervention and exploitation.

Without directly mentioning the Soviet Union or any Third World country, he said: "The process of detente can only suffer from the massive and intensive efforts of the other side to take advantage of all possibilities presented by unstable situations in the Third World and further to increase and perfect its military arsenal."

He expressed concern about the recent introduction by the Soviet Union of the SS-20 intermediate range missile. This had given a "new dimension to the Soviet threat" in the atomic field, Dr. Luns added.

For the first time, a mobile missile with multiple warheads of conventional scale could reach all areas of Western Europe, including ice-

Carter gives states power to deal with petrol shortages

WASHINGTON, May 30 (R)—President Carter, frustrated by congressional rebuffs over energy policy, yesterday gave state governors emergency powers to deal with petrol shortages during the summer.

He signed an executive order allowing them to compel at least some filling stations to remain open on weekends and to set minimum purchase levels to prevent "tank-topping"—a practice held responsible for some of the recent panic buying.

The governors were authorised also to put into effect California's system of restricting sales to odd or even days of the month depending on car licence plate numbers.

The president took his action

after repeatedly failing to persuade Congress to give him standby authority to ration petrol if current spot shortages became worse and spread throughout the country.

In announcing his executive order on energy, the president noted that the powers he gave the governors would make it more convenient for motorists to purchase supplies but would not actually save any petrol.

"Continued care, planning and conservation will be required throughout the summer if we are to avoid gasoline lines and spot shortages," he said. "...Our country faces a long-term chronic problem in obtaining adequate energy supplies to meet our needs."

Economic News Briefs

Iran reports drop in daily oil production

TEHRAN, May 30 (R)—Iran's crude oil production has fallen to about 3.4 million barrels a day, a drop of some 700,000 barrels from last month's average, the National Iranian Oil Company (NIOC) said yesterday. NIOC did not give a reason for the drop, which might exacerbate world oil shortages already acute due to a shortfall of some two million barrels a day. Industry sources in Tehran said they did not believe the reduction was the result of a change in government production or export policies. The government had earlier said it would maintain production at about four million barrels a day, of which about 600,000 barrels would be used to meet home demand and the rest exported. NIOC also announced a 7,500 rials (about \$100 a month) pay increase and other new benefits for oil workers, including improved social facilities and housing, less than a week after NIOC Chairman Hassan Nauzhi visited the oilfields and refineries in south Iran for talks with workers and management. The oil workers have been taking an increasingly independent line on production and export policies. The workers, whose all-out strike was largely instrumental in bringing down the Shah's regime, also expressed their determination to end "human and industrial dependence on the superpowers and other international exploiters."

Yugoslavia prepares new measures to save oil

BELGRADE, May 30 (R)—The Yugoslav Government is preparing fresh legal measures to cut oil consumption, including a ban on new oil-fuelled power stations and halting the use of the existing ones, official sources said last night. They quoted Mr. Stojan Matkalev, chairman of the State Committee for Energy and Industry, as saying hydroelectric and coal-fuelled stations would be given priority. Heating in public and apartment buildings will be reduced by two degrees centigrade next winter. The only exception will be hospitals and schools, he said. The new measures would save up to one million tonnes of imported crude oil annually. To reduce oil consumption, the government recently banned motorists from the roads for up to seven days a month and introduced speed limits. The price of petrol has risen by 40 per cent since last November.

Iran negotiates abroad for deliveries of meat

TEHRAN, May 30 (R)—Iran, facing an acute meat shortage over the next two months, is negotiating with Australia and New Zealand for urgent deliveries of lamb and beef, meat trade sources said. Ayatollah Khomeini, Iran's unofficial head of state, declared the consumption of forzen meat "haram" (religious sin) earlier this year, saying existing stocks should be used as fertiliser, and the government said Iran would try to rely on imports of fresh meat from neighbouring Turkey and Afghanistan. The trade sources said today that Iran's new revolutionary authorities were now trying to obtain about 55,000 tonnes of meat from New Zealand and that similar negotiations had started with Australia. A commission led by a Muslim clergyman has toured Australian and New Zealand slaughterhouses to make sure that the animals were being butchered by Muslims in accordance with Islamic principles, the sources said.

Carter to make decision on Rhodesia sanctions

WASHINGTON, May 30 (R)—President Carter said yesterday that after close consultations with Britain he will make a decision by June 15 on whether or not to lift economic sanctions against Rhodesia. He was asked at a White House news conference if he supported the new British Government's view that the recent Rhodesian elections were "free and fair". Mr. Carter said he would make a decision on sanctions within two weeks of the inauguration scheduled for Friday of the new black-dominated government of Bishop Abel Muzorewa. He said he had been in close contact with the British Government on the issue and referred to talks held in London a week ago between Secretary of State Cyrus Vance and the British Foreign Secretary, Lord Carrington.

land, from launchers based in the Soviet Union, he said. "This is indeed a most serious development."

Both the Dutch premier and Dr. Luns welcomed the new SALT agreement, which the secretary-general said would constitute "a significant milestone in the positive evolution of East-West relations."

Lord Carrington, speaking at the opening ceremony in The Hague's 13th century Hall of Knights in his capacity as honorary president of the alliance's Foreign Minister's Council, said: "I see no room for complacency as we tackle the problems on our agenda today and the challenges facing us in the near future. These challenges, both military and political, are as testing as any we have had to face in the past 30 years."

Lord Carrington, a former defence secretary, said that on its past record, NATO had shown itself capable of adapting and responding to challenges. "But the present demands on the alliance mean that we cannot rest on our laurels. Certainly my own government gives a very high priority indeed to surmounting these problems and keeping the alliance secure and vigorous."

Anti-nuclear appeal

Dutch churches, reflecting the substantial hostility to nuclear weapons which exists in the Netherlands, today appealed for the removal of atomic missiles from Dutch territory.

In a joint open letter to the NATO ministers handed to the press, the nine main Christian churches said the Netherlands should take "a first effective step down the road to a total abolition of nuclear weapons by removing them from its territory and its armed forces."

The Netherlands is one of the NATO countries which could provide bases for more advanced weapons designed to counter the threat of the SS-20.

Mr. Van Agt told NATO ministers, however, that the support of all NATO states was essential for finding an answer to the danger posed by the increased threat to Europe of Soviet nuclear weapons.

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UNCTAD: Reservations voiced over proposals that would add to spending

MANILA, May 30 (R)—Western industrialised and East European nations expressed strong reservations today over proposals which would increase spending by the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD).

The month-long UNCTAD gathering of rich and poor nations here is nearing its end still bogged down on many vital aid and trade issues. It went into open session today for the first time in more than a week to give formal endorsement to three resolutions agreed so far.

One called for a series of studies at national and international level on how to help developing countries whose skilled workers migrate to industrialised nations instead of staying at home.

The other asked the UNCTAD Secretariat to prepare for a U.N. conference late this year on restrictive business practices which would draft a code against such abuses as price fixing, collusive tendering for projects and taking unfair advantage of dominant market positions.

Attached to this resolution was an addendum prepared by the UNCTAD Secretariat suggesting the study would cost about \$617,000 over two years. Western delegates have already expressed

concern privately about increasing the staff and size of the UNCTAD Secretariat, which would involve bigger donations.

But when the restrictive business practices resolution was put to the assembly, it was a Bulgarian representative who first expressed reservations on behalf of the East Europeans.

"A continuation of the work of UNCTAD should be carried out with the available human and financial resources which have been set aside by UNCTAD to deal with manufactured and semi-manufactured goods and the question of restrictive trade practices," he said. "On the question of improving the efficiency of the UNCTAD Secretariat, we feel we should reserve our position regarding the financial accounts provided by the UNCTAD Secretariat."

West Germany, speaking for the Western industrialised countries, including Japan, said Bulgaria had raised a subject "also of concern to my group." He said the Western countries had not had time to examine the full implications of the addendum which seemed to provide for contingencies that might not arise.

Nicaragua reports Sandinist offensive

MANAGUA, May 30 (R)—Nicaragua said left-wing guerrillas had launched a five-pronged attack.

described by Foreign Minister Julio Quintana as extremely serious, in the south of the country yesterday. Mr. Quintana said 300 well-armed Sandinist guerrillas had crossed the border from Costa Rica and split

into five groups. One of the groups penetrated 40 kilometres into Nicaraguan territory before being trapped by national guards at the town of Rivas 170 kilometres from the capital. At least one officer was killed in the fighting, he said, although full casualty figures were not known.

S.E. Asia's refugee problem said worsening

VIENNA, May 30 (R)—The refugee problem in Southeast Asia is getting worse and is cause for real concern, United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees Paul Hartling said yesterday.

The high commissioner said that during talks with Austrian President Rudolf Kirchschläger and Foreign Minister Willibald Pahr he had asked the Vienna Government to admit a small number of Vietnamese refugees.

Austria, which has faced several waves of refugees from Eastern Europe, has already given homes to nearly 350 Vietnamese.

Mr. Hartling said he believed the figure of 4.5 million often quoted for the total number of refugees in the world was far too low. If one included displaced persons, a figure that was constantly changing, a more likely total would be between nine and ten million, he said.

The former Danish prime minister said the number of Vietnamese "boat people" fleeing their country had jumped from around 5,000 in February to 20,000 in April, and predicted that it would top 30,000 in May.

"The number of refugees is

increasing, and new problems are arising all the time. We are very worried about the situation," he said.

Muzorewa announces coalition cabinet of Zimbabwe Rhodesia



Bishop Muzorewa (right) takes oath of office

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